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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below-named co-inventors, we hereby state and declare as follows:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and co-inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention and application entitled, "RECEPTACLE-MOUNTED COVER PLATE," which was filed July 30, 1997 and assigned Serial No. 08/902,849.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendments referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATIONS

APPLICATION NUMBER	COUNTRY	FILING DATE	PRIORITY CLAIMED
			Yes ___ No ___
			Yes ___ No ___
			Yes ___ No ___

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120, of any United States application(s) listed below and, to the extent the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35 United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING DATE	STATUS (Patented, Pending, Abandoned)
08/775,382	12/30/96	Pending

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

We hereby appoint Stephen T. Sullivan, Reg. No. 32,444, as our attorney with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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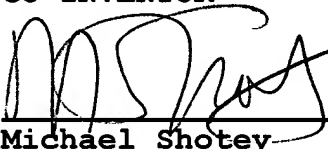
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